Resolution authorizing a settlement to Marissa Bellamy for a disputed bodily injury claim due to an auto accident involving a Franklin County Sheriff's Deputy (Sheriff) (\$3,500)

WHEREAS, on August 26, 2011, Franklin County Sheriff's Lieutenant Michael Harrow was involved in an auto accident; and

WHEREAS, a vehicle, owned by Jeffery Bellamy, operated by his daughter, Marissa Bellamy, was struck when a patrol vehicle traveling east on US 40 failed to change lanes with caution; and

WHEREAS, both vehicles sustained damage in the accident, and injuries were reported at the time of the accident; and

WHEREAS, Franklin County will pay for the bodily injuries in the amount of Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$3,500) for the injuries done to her in the accident that occurred on August 26, 2011; and Marissa Bellamy has accepted contingent on approval by the Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the above described settlement fairly compensates Marissa Bellamy for the injuries to her; and

WHEREAS, by agreeing to this settlement, neither Lieutenant Michael Harrow, the Franklin County Commissioners, nor the Franklin County Sheriff's Office admits to any negligence or liability arising out of the auto accident; and

WHEREAS, the above described settlement, recommended by Franklin County Fleet Management, the Prosecuting Attorney's Office, and Rittel, Hill, and Zimmerman Insurance Services deems it to be in the best interest of the Franklin County Commissioners and the Franklin County Sheriff's Office to settle the bodily injury claim for Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$3,500); and

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO;

1. That the above-referenced settlement in the amount of Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$3,500) is in the best interest of the Franklin County Commissioners, Franklin County Sheriff's Office and the Department of Fleet Management and the same is hereby approved.

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- 2. That upon execution of a full release in favor of the Franklin County Commissioners, Department of Fleet Management and the Franklin County Sheriff's Office that is satisfactory to the Prosecutor's Office; a warrant be issued payable to Marissa Bellamy, and forwarded to 5264 Big Run South Road, Grove City, Ohio 43123 as full and final settlement of this matter.
- 3. The attached Purchase Order in the amount of Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$3,500) is hereby approved.

Prepared by: Albert Smith, Sheriff's Office, Budget Officer

cc: Bill Stehle, Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Fleet Management Sheriff, Department of Finance